

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (currently amended) A takeout holder formed of plastic comprising:

a semi-circular base having a front edge and a rear edge;

a pocket within the semi-circular base formed by a bottom wall, a side wall and a top wall that extends between the front edge and the rear edge wherein the pocket is tapered with the front edge wider than the rear edge to form a wedge shaped profile from the front edge to the rear edge adapted to frictionally fit a corresponding wedge shaped semi-circular insert;

an opening in the side wall of the pocket that mates to a corresponding tap on the semi-circular insert wherein the corresponding tap comprises an elongated male extension that extends onto the opening to contact a corresponding elongated female depression in the opening to frictionally secure removably the semi-circular insert within the pocket; and

a yoke that extends generally perpendicularly from the semi-circular base, wherein the takeout holder comprises a plastic that provides a longer life expectancy and is stable at temperatures above 260°C.

Claim 2. (currently amended) The takeout holder of Claim 1 further comprising a semi-circular nonmetallic insert, wherein the semi-circular nonmetallic insert comprises a bottom wall and a top wall that extends between a front insert edge, ~~and~~ a rear insert edge and a tab comprising an elongated male extension that extends onto the opening to frictionally secure removably the semi-circular insert within the pocket.

Claim 3. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 2 wherein the insert is formed of ceramic.

Claim 4. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 2 wherein the insert is formed of a ceramic composed in part of alumina.

Claim 5. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 3 wherein the insert is formed of ceramic composed in part of alumina - clay composite including a releasing agent.

Claim 6-10 cancelled

Claim 11. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 1 wherein the plastic comprises thermoset plastic.

Claim 12. (currently amended) A molded takeout jaw formed of a high temperature plastic comprising:

a semi-circular base having a front edge and a rear edge;

a pocket within the semi-circular base to receive an insert formed by a bottom wall, a side wall and a top wall that tapers from the front edge and the rear edge, wherein the pocket is wider at the front edge than at the rear edge to form a wedge shaped profile from the front edge to the rear edge adapted to frictionally fit a corresponding wedge shaped semi-circular insert;

a receptacle positioned in the pocket to engage lockably a détente on an extension on the insert, wherein the détente extends onto the opening to contact a corresponding elongated female depression in the receptacle to frictionally secure removably the semi-circular insert within the pocket; and

a yoke that extends generally perpendicularly from the semi-circular base, wherein the takeout holder comprises a high temperature plastic that provides a longer life expectancy and is stable at temperatures above 260°C.

Claim 13. (original) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 wherein the plastic is selected from the group consisting of graphite mineral phenolic resin, glass fiber phenolic, mineral glass phenolic, or mineral phenolic.

Claim 14. (previously presented) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 further comprising a semi-circular nonmetallic insert comprising a bottom wall and a top wall that extends between a front insert edge and a rear insert edge.

Claim 15. Canceled

Claim 16. (original) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 further comprising alignment means for aligning the takeout jaw with a symmetrical takeout jaw.

Claim 17. (currently amended) An insert for a takeout holder comprised of ceramic, wherein the insert comprises:

 a bottom wall, a top wall and one or more side walls that tapers from a rear edge to a front edge, wherein the insert is wider at the front edge than at the rear edge, to form a wedge shaped profile from the front edge to the rear edge adapted to frictionally fit a corresponding wedge shaped pocket in the takeout holder;

 the front edge comprising a profile that corresponds to at least a portion of a bottle;

 an extension positioned about the insert to extend onto the opening to engage an indentation in a takeout holder to secure removably the insert to the takeout holder.

Claim 18. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic includes alumina.

Claim 19. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic includes alumina and a releasing agent.

Claim 20. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic is glazed.